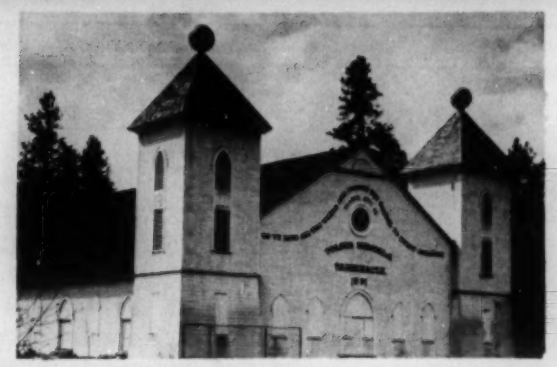

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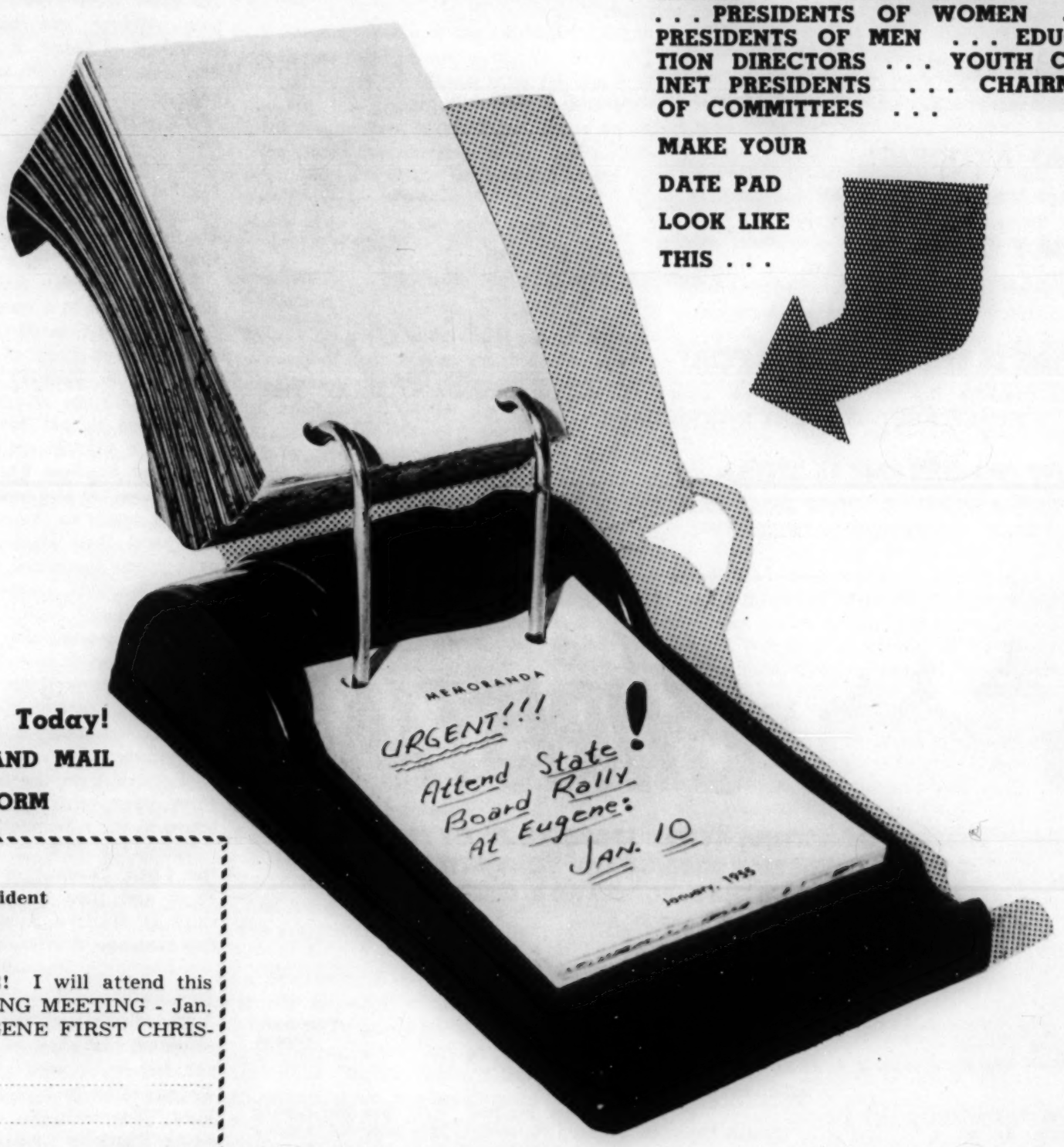


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## ADDING UP ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

This report covers the period from October 19 through November 29. October 19 through November 4 was spent enroute to and from and attendance at the International Convention in Miami, Florida. The long trip to a new area of our country was a much appreciated experience. The convention was very fine both in program and fellowship. Reports were very encouraging and we are happy to be a part of such a brotherhood as represented at the convention.

Back at my desk on Friday trying to dig out after three weeks away. I visited Eastside Albany on Sunday morning and preached at Lebanon at the evening service. Assisted Hermiston in their stewardship program on the 9th. Three days of the week were spent in the office with several conferences and one committee meeting. Brought the morning sermon at Astoria on the 14th and visited the evening service at Forest Grove on my way back to Portland. The new minister, E. A. Boosinger, is getting his work going in a fine way.

Part of Monday was spent in the office then I shared in a conference sponsored by the Portland Council of Churches and then attended a meeting of the Oregon Temperance League. Tuesday and Wednesday were spent in Eugene attending a session of the Northwest School for Leaders of Youth, the State Convention Program Committee Christian Student Foundation, Conference on Evangelism and new Churches.

Back again to the office for part of two days and then attended a conference on evangelism sponsored by the Oregon Council of Churches, a meeting with the Northwest Regional DSF officers, brought the morning message at Amity on the 21st, spent most of the week in the office with a series of conferences and attended the Northwest District Men's meeting and the General Assembly of the Portland Council of Churches. Brought the morning message at Prineville on the 28th and then held a three hour conference with the church board in the afternoon.

Spent the 29th in the office, met with the Loan Committee of the Permanent Fund and then shared in the missionary rally at Mallory Avenue and enjoyed the fine message of William Hall.

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The Ninety and Nine Song Book has been re-issued and may be had at cost of $1.00 per 100 to be used at the Rally's in your district or in your local church men's meetings. They may be ordered through the State Publicity Chairman, Elmer Walters, 6240 S.W. 120th Ave., Beaverton, Oregon. Also, any news of your district or of your local church that you feel will be of interest to the other men of the state should be mailed to the above address.

**O. W. JONES**

**Our editorial this month was written by O. W. Jones, pastor of the Christian Church at Wallowa. I believe Brother Jones is the oldest full time pastor in the state. "O W" as he is affectionately known in the state is loved by all who know him. He has held many pastorates in the state. The work at Wallowa has grown each year he has been there. "O W" is not only a good pastor and preacher he is a lover of the out of doors. Your state secretary happens to know something about the fine fish he has in his locker. We are very happy to honor Brother Jones in this issue of the Oregon Christian.**

# THE GIFT AND OUR MESSAGE OF HOPE

(Guest Editorial)
—By O. W. Jones

Again we are coming to Christmas time. We see on every hand those things that direct our minds to that story of long ago—The story of a Babe that was born in a stable and laid in a manger, the story of two who came from far away Nazareth to Bethlehem of Judea to pay the tax levied by the Ruler of an imperial nation. They found the inn full and could only be accommodated with a stall in the stable. And there, scarce known to their fellow travelers, was born a Baby. The mother wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger.

There was nothing unusual about the birth of this baby. Probably a thousand babies were born that same night in places less fitting than a stable with not even a manger in which the newly born could be laid. Some perhaps remarked that the father and mother should not have undertaken such a journey.

Do we say there was nothing unusual about the birth of this Baby! To those gathered at the tax paying station there wasn't. But on the hills where the shepherds were watching their flocks by night there was the whir of Angel's wings, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and the Hosts of Heaven were crying out, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The life of this Baby growing to manhood, is mostly veiled until we come to the ministry of John the Baptist. There we meet Him again as He, with John, walked into the waters of the Jordan, and was baptized. There a voice from Heaven declared Him to be the Beloved Son of God. Now the work of this Son of God began and was only finished on earth as, perhaps on Angel's wings, he was carried up into Heaven.

Three and a half years of ministry — but what a ministry! Twelve men were taught and trained for the greatest service the world has known; taught about God and His will for men. This Good News was to be told to the world, coming from Christ to the twelve, from the twelve to their generation, and from those who will take up the Story, to all generations. So has come even to us, the responsibility and the privilege to tell it to our generation.

In Oregon we have the responsibility, as a Brotherhood in Christ, to tell that story. We have no congregation, however strong it may be, equal of itself to accomplish the task. So, comes to us not only the responsibility, but a great privilege to labor together in unison in the sowing of the seed and the gathering of the harvest.

I like Paul's statement about the workings of the Church. God's "Gifts were for the equipment of the Saints, for the work of the ministry, for the building up of the Body of Christ, until all attain to the unity of the Faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, — from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every joint with which it is supplied, when each part is working properly, makes bodily growth and upbuilds itself in love."

Our Heavenly Father has given to us wonderful gifts. Just as surely He expects us to use them in building up the Kingdom, working together in harmony and cooperation.

# OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

—By Edna L. Burke

Christmas greetings to all of you. I trust that the peace of God heralded by the angels on the night of the Nativity so long ago, abides in your heart and life. We have a great Savior. Let us observe the Christmas season with Christ as the center. Let us put Him back into Christmas.

I have a suggestion for a gift for someone in your family or for a friend. World Call is offering this fine magazine to either new or old subscribers for the special price of $1.50 per year. Ordinarily it is $2.00 for a single subscription or $1.50 in clubs of five. This offer closes at midnight December 31. The sooner you send it in the better. There will be many names to be entered on the subscription list that you may miss the first copy of 1955. So do it now.

Two Christian Women's Fellowship workshops were held in Oregon this fall, the first on November 3 in Springfield under the leadership of Mrs. Ernest Worden; the second at Bend, conducted by Mrs. Cecil Bever. These two women are district secretaries on the state Christian Women's Fellowship board. The attendance at Springfield was 66; at Bend it was 60. Representatives came from many of the churches to take part in these workshops. Leadership training, study materials, parliamentary law and program building were stressed and demonstrated. Miss Goldie Ruth Wells former missionary to Africa, now retired, was the guest leader in both churches.

Word has come to us that Eva Marie Johnson, missionary to the Belgian Congo for a period of three years, now in language school in Costa Rica, fell recently and broke both wrists. Her address is Apartado 2240, San Jose, Costa Rica. A letter from you would help to cheer her up while she is recovering.

It was my very great privilege to attend the International convention held in Miami, Florida, October 25-31. Saw quite a number of Oregonians there among them Mrs. E. C. Gilbert of Corvallis, first vice president and Study Director on the C.W.F. state board. One of the things that stands

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**"Good Luck to the Wangs" . . . so goes the picture's sign and here to prove they are enjoying it are: (left to right) Mrs. Dale Sawyer, hostess at Christian House; Carl Fleshman, Myrtle Point; Cho Sei Yang, Seoul, Korea; Jean Wang and Tso Wang, en-route to Singapore, and Bob Randall, past-president of Eugene Christian House and now president of University Religious Council at University of Oregon.**

## NEWS OF THE CHRISTIAN HOUSES

Both of our Christian Houses continue to lead in interchurch religious activities on the campuses of OSC and U. of O. On November 10th at Oregon State College, forty-five student living organizations took part in fireside devotions and discussions on "What I Believe". Christian House is proud of Jim Robnett, pre-medic from Oregon City, who is Religious Emphasis Chairman for this year, and of Marjory Miller (Portland) who is Treasurer of the Campus Religious Council. Eugene has Robert Randall, liberal arts student from Billings, Montana, who is president of the University Religious Council, and Pat Cauvel of Spokane Central Church, who is chairman of the all-campus Thanksgiving Service.

Two of the active members of the Eugene Married Students' group sailed from San Francisco on November 22nd to return to their home in Singapore where both will be on the faculty of the new Yenyang University which opens there next fall with Dr. Lin Yutang as president. The couple are Mr. and Mrs. (Jean) Tso Wang. While they could have remained in America, they feel they are needed back home in this new enterprise. The college will open next fall with an initial enrollment of at least two thousand students. The best wishes of the Oregon Christians go with them.

Both Christian Houses have recently been hosts to their inter-denominational organizations of student workers. At Corvallis this is the Oregon State College Ministers to-Students Council. At Eugene it is the Religious Directors' Association. Both are also trying to make significant religious contribution to the life of the foreign students on their campuses. Corvallis works through Dr. Austin Walter, dean of foreign students there, and Eugene, through the Foreign Student Advisor, Mr. Kenneth Ghent, and through the community Foreign Student Foundation. Cho Sei Yang of Seoul, Korea, is the residence scholarship recipient of the students at the Eugene Christian House. He is a freshman at the University of Oregon. His story of his experiences in wartime Korea is one that church groups could well hear. The Eugene House is resuming its International Dinners, the first of which will be a Swiss meal prepared by Miss Hanny Gallusser of Switzerland, on December first.

Corvallis is organizing the members of the OSC staff who belong to the Corvallis Christian Church. There are more than twenty professors on that campus who belong to the local church there.

Eugene students have been pursuing the question of "What Is Essential in Christianity?" using the national DSF (Disciples Student Fellowship) materials and the Evanston World Assembly findings. They have organized a second Sunday morning Bible study group, and both classes will be studying phases of the book of Galatians, particularly as it deals with the question of Freedom within the church. The two teachers are Dr. Victor P. Morris and the Rev. John Boosinger.

The Regional DSF Committee met Saturday, November 20, in the state office in Portland to plan for the Menucha Student Conference, April 15-17, and to discuss other matters relating to our total ministry to students in this area. One of the suggestions coming out of the meeting is that we try together to raise enough money to send Carl Cobb, youth director of Forest Grove

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## NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Elmer C. Walters

Many of the men of the State attended the 18th annual convention of the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood held in the First Christian Church of Bend, Oregon on October 22, 23 and 24 of 1954. It was a very educational meeting, and thru the process of the meeting plans were laid for the ensuing year.

One of the main points brought out in the meeting was Stewardship. The opening remarks Saturday morning gave us an outline of a good plan to follow. Teaching and every phase of the Total Church Program should be completely sold on the Stewardship program and then carried on thereafter for a period of not less than one month in a total teaching program of the local churches. Stewardship on a whole Church-wide basis will only work when the Leadership headed by the pastor shows their own genuine Enthusiasm and conviction of Victory at all times. All questions brought forward being answered with this same earnestness and enthusiasm. Examples were given that the Scriptural Program is 100% successful when used wholeheartedly by the whole Church.

A change has been made in the Millenium Minute Men Call, which was started back in the Thirties for the purpose of giving $1000 to each new Church that was started. Our new place in the work of new churches will be to go out and organize, or set up new nucleus for a later Church building program.

This change was made since the State Board now thru its Fellowship of the Concerned program which reaches all the family, this past year has started into this field and therefore makes it no longer necessary for the Men to finance this effort but gives the Ninety and Nine an opportunity again to step forward and blaze a new trail, namely Stewardship Evangelism into new communities.

So now the new program of the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood will be to: Continue sponsorship of boys and girls camps, evangelize in new areas by use of Teams set up in each district who thru the stewardship of their time will go and preach the Gospel and tell the good news.

The Northwest District Rally was held in the Kern Park Christian church on November 22, 1954. 211 were in attendance at the meeting. The ham dinner was served by the ladies of the Cedar Hills and Kern Park Christian Churches. A violin solo was played by Mrs. Payne and a short testimonial meeting was held just prior to the message by Marion Nilsson, new minister at the Mallory Avenue Christian Church.

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Ivan Cornell at Hilsboro reports Sunday School attendance growing — 406 average attendance for the month just passed.

**Annual "HARVEST FESTIVAL OFFERING" of foodstuffs at the First Christian Church of Canby received Sunday, November 21, is to be divided between the Northwestern Christian Home at Beaverton and the Turner Memorial Home. Shown above with some of the generous gifts are: (left) Glenn Onion, chairman of the church board, and John J. Jones, minister.**

## EDITOR NEEDED SAYS ADDLEMAN

If you want an advancement you had better become the editor of the Oregon Christian! As you know, Ralph Neill was called to become Director of Public Relations for the International Convention.

Now, one month after Mr. Donald R. Larson took over responsibilities as editor, he received a position in Washington, D. C. He will therefore conclude his services with the Oregon Christian following this issue.

We congratulate you, Mr. Larson on the advancement you have received and we appreciate the good work you did as editor for the two months. Our best wishes go with you and your family.

Our Executive Committee will be ready to announce in the near future our future editor.

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## THE MINISTER AND SOCIAL SECURITY

No doubt each minister has received a folder from the Pension Fund concerning the new Social Security law which includes ministers.

The Pension Fund invited a representative of Social Security to the International Convention to confer with interested ministers. Your State Secretary took advantage of the conference and suggests that each minister look into it and then decide for himself.

The older men who do not have very many active years left in the ministry will find it much to their advantage. This is not to take the place of the Church Pension Fund, but rather to supplement it.

If you did not receive a folder it is suggested that you write to the Pension Fund for material.

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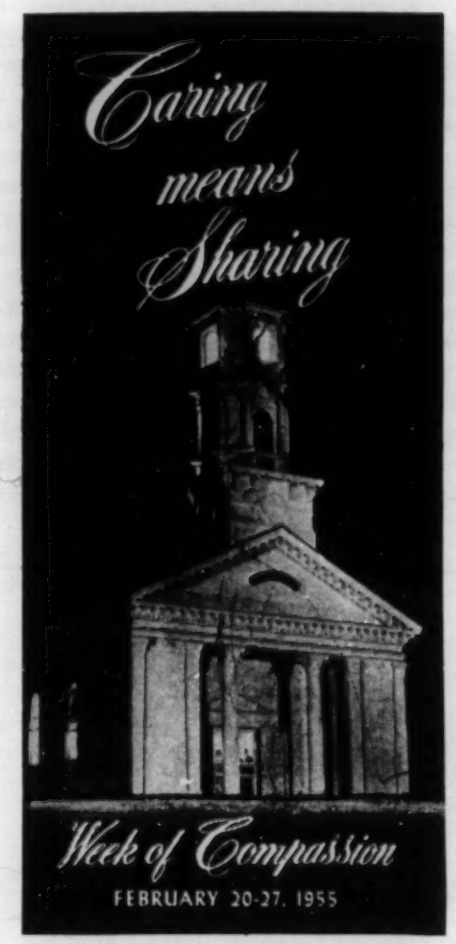
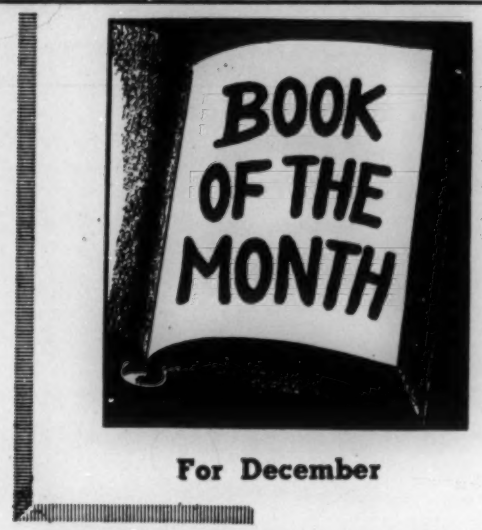
Word has been received from Ed Dewees from "The Land of Sunshine" California (that is where he is working at present) in the interest of the Turner Home. Ed is working half time for the Turner Home and half time as field secretary. He reports that he is having a profitable and enjoyable fellowship in the interest of the Turner Home.






**For December**

**—By Kenneth Scott Latourette**

## THE CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION IN OUR DAY

(Recommended by the Commission on the Promotion of Christian Literature)

How is the World Christian mission faring in today's Communist—threatened world? How is it likely to fare? What new problems must it meet? What new strategies must it adopt? Here is the book that has the answers. Written by America's foremost authority on missions, Yale's emeritus professor of missions and oriental history, this book is simple, comprehensive and eminently readable. It sets forth the contrast between the missions of yesterday (1815 to 1914 A.D.) and today (1914 - 1954) together with swift characterizations of the differing world situations in these two periods.

In brief compass, it outlines the story of the expansion of Christianity over the globe, from the beginning of modern missions up to date. It deals specifically with shifts in emphasis and new strategies needed for a day of world revolution; in fact, the book is preeminently a guide to missionary strategy for our new age. It even makes bold to predict the drift of the future!

For an informed, world-minded Christian who really wants to stop Communism in its world conquest this book is not an elective — it is required reading.

Selected and reviewed by:
Dwight E. Stevenson

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## YOUTH WORKERS MEET IN EUGENE

Eighty people studied, played, ate, and worshipped their way through the week of November 10-16, at the Regional Adult Leaders of Youth Training School. The school was sponsored by Northwest Christian College, First Christian Church, and the State Education Commissions of the five Northwest States: Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Utah.

The group included thirty-three adult counsellors who enrolled as students, nine faculty members, and thirty-eight young people of Chi Rho and CYF groups in Eugene and Springfield churches. Two "B Series" credits were given each of the counsellors; this credit being in Leadership Education as prescribed by the Division of Education, U.C.M.S. Also because the school was carried as a short-term course at N. C. C., credit was given to all counsellors who did the prescribed work through the school. All students fulfilled the requirements for this credit.

Miss Frances Woolery, the Associate Editor-in-Chief of the Department of Church School Literature, Christian Board of Publication, was the Dean of the School. Frances was also here in the state when N.C.C. held the pilot meeting which was the forerunner of the National Training School meeting in 1955 for its third year.

Our regional school is the first of its nature to be held in the United States, and its success will be measured in the months ahead as the youth work grows in our churches across the Northwest. The credit for the smoothness with which the school is operated is largely due to the untiring efforts of the office staff at N.C.C. and at First Christian Church. "Thank you's" are especially due Dr. Ross Griffeth, Dr. Carroll Roberts, Mr. Ed Eldridge, Mr. Jim Edwards, Mr. W. G. Moseley, Mrs. Lynnette Rhay and the Dean and faculty of the Training School.

**Training School faculty: (left to right) Vernon Fishback, Burton Brown, Ruth Ross, Walter Lantz, David Kullowatz, Mel Knight, Don Payne, Frances Woolery.**

**Counsellors in an evaluation and planning session. The school was sponsored by Northwest Christian College, First Christian Church and others.**

# NEW BOOKS HERALD BROTHERHOOD SERIES

Four new books by members of the brotherhood herald the beginning of a new series on the development and growth of Disciples of Christ.

Darrell K. Wolfe, director of The Bethany Press, St. Louis, announces that the series will "contribute to an understanding of the history of our brotherhood in a manner every member will enjoy and find of profit."

Three of the new books concern the Campbells—father and son. Harold L. Lunger, minister of the First Christian Church of Tucson, Ariz., shows Alexander Campbell in a new light in THE POLITICAL ETHICS OF ALEXANDER CAMPBELL. Discussions center on Alexander's views on the issues raised by Jacksonian democracy, slavery, public education, Roman Catholicism and others.

Granville T. Walker, in PREACHING IN THE THOUGHT OF ALEXANDER CAMPBELL, studies the roots of Disciples of Christ preaching as they find their origins in the thought and work of this leader. The author is minister to the University Christian Church, Fort Worth, Tex., and has served on the board of managers for The United Christian Missionary Society.

THOMAS CAMPBELL: MAN OF THE BOOK by Lester G. McAllister fills in hitherto scattered sketches of the author of the "Declaration and Address." Dr. McAllister is Dean of Students and associate professor in the Department of Religion at Bethany College, Bethany, W. Va.

The fourth book in the new Bethany History Series is THE STORY OF D. S. BURNET: UNDESERVED OBSCURITY by Noel L. Keith. Dr. Keith, who heads the Department of Religion at Texas Christian University, tells the story of an "all but forgotten disciple," establishing his right to the position of father of organized benevolence, missions and education among Disciples of Christ.

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out in my mind is the message given during one of the Christian Women's Fellowship session by Miss Elsie Farris of Long Beach, California. Miss Farris said among other things that her life was very much taken up with two activities —earning a living as a lawyer, and making visits to churches, schools, lodges, womens' groups, mens' groups and other types of gatherings to talk about Christ's mission and message. No group is too small; she goes everywhere paying her own expenses. Her hobby is educating young men and women for the ministry, for the mission field, teachers for mission schools in all parts of the world. She has helped to prepare dozens of them. Just a few statements that she made in her address (and by the way she did not use a manuscript.) She did not read her message but gave it verbally in a very dynamic style.:

"If you aren't missionary minded, you aren't anything. The church is the greatest peace organization in the world . . . If only once we would be willing to try the power of the living God . . . If only once we would use the organized spiritual forces to solve some of today's problems . . . The living church moves across the world . . Most of us haven't even taken a look at it or it would not be so small . . . Christianity is the only religion that practices 'Love thy neighbor as thyself.' . . . Our nation spent last year eleven times more for liquor than on education . . . 85 per cent of the educated people of Africa owe their educational opportunities to the church . . . Jesus went to the cross to validate everything in this world that is worth while. We need to bear our witness in this troubled world.

The only answer to this world's problems lies in the love of the Christ . . . We are proud of the Christian movement but we do not talk enough about it." Some of the

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**Counsellors and youth having refreshments — a part of each day's laboratory session with the young people during the Regional Adult Leaders of Youth Training School.**

## News of the Christian Houses

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and a student at U. of O., to the national DSF executive council meeting in Indianapolis during the Christmas holidays. Carl is a member-at-large of the council. The total sum needed is approximately $125. Contributions should be sent to Mr. Vic Lambert, 6811 S. E. Mall, Portland, right away. No amount is too small (or too large!)

Corvallis is planning a $5.00 dinner to be held in December to help liquidate the $7000 indebtedness on the Christian House property.

The Oregon Christian Student Foundation met in Eugene on November 16th with president Dr. James Morris in charge. It was voted to accept the offer of the Corvallis Christian House Board to release Mr. Lawrence Porter for some time this winter to enable him to visit ministers and church boards to explain the work of our ministry to students through the two Christian Houses. Prior to the Foundation meeting, the group went through the new Wesley Foundation Student Center in Eugene which was recently occupied and dedicated at a cost of approximately $84,000. Features which made our own directors wish for like facilities include a beautiful chapel with seating capacity of one hundred fifty, a large dining area with stage, and multiple rooms for simultaneous activities. Congratulations to the far-sighted Methodists of Oregon!

The two fliers describing the work of the Christian Houses (which some of you saw at Turner) are available in quantities for distribution in churches, women's fellowships, men's groups, classes, and in youth organizations. Also, students at both Houses are eager to share with your church some of the things that are meaningful on campus. Why not ask for a deputation team for the near future?

Officers elected at the recent meeting of the state Foundation are Dr. James Morris (Corvallis), president; Mrs. Bluford Osburn (Lebanon), vice-president; Mr. Leonard Farr (Coos Bay), secretary; and Mr. Virgil Cameron (Eugene), treasurer.

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things she said hit us hard but it made us think. I would go a long way to hear her again. All who heard her agreed that "she was the best speaker with the most stirring message of the entire convention."

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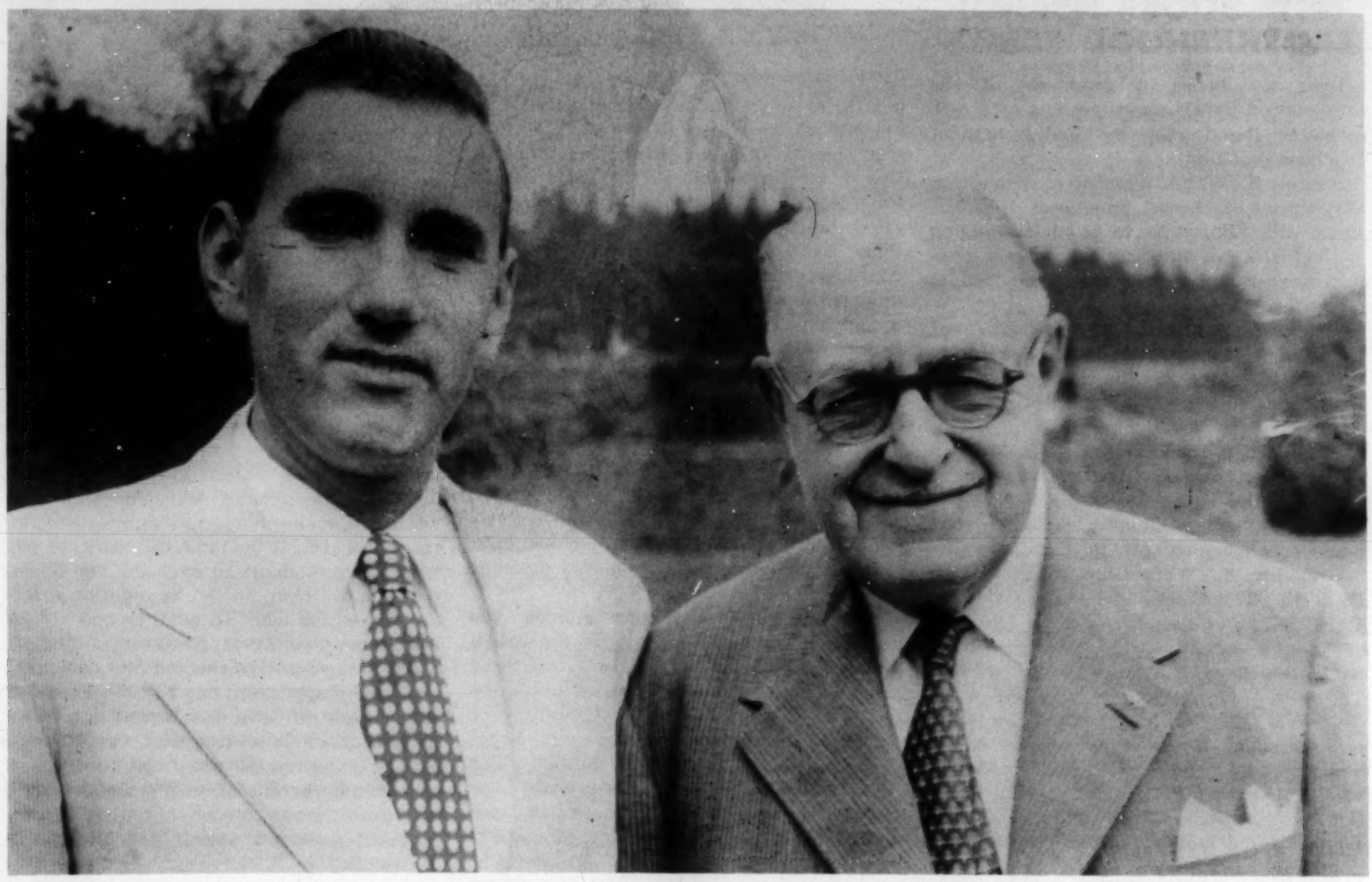
The N.C.C. Crusaders' Club started recently with 11 members. Its prime motive is to stimulate interest and to help in N.C.C at Eugene. Elected are: Mrs. Arnold Goff, president; Ed Brabham, vice-president; Paul Smith, Secretary-Treasurer.



**Courtney Swander, interim pastor at First Christian Church, Victoria, Texas, will begin in the department of religious education as editorial associate as of November 18, 1954. Courtney is the son of C. F. Swander who served for 40 years as state secretary of Oregon and for the last ten years was the state director of Christian Education. Courtney is a graduate of Northwest Christian College and has his B.S. degree from the University of Oregon in journalism. He went to Phillips University for 3 years and earned the B. D. degree. During the years at Phillips he served as part-time youth director for a church in Oklahoma. For the past two years he has been on the staff of Central Christian Church in San Antonio, Texas as youth worker. Last summer at his own expense he visited our mission stations in Mexico along with our Youth Tour and used his station wagon to help transport the young people. Courtney will help to prepare materials for Christian Education Year and other materials necessary for the program of religious education.**

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# CUNNINGHAM RESIGNS AT NEWBURG

J. Frank Cunningham, for 12 years and 5 months minister of First Christian Church of Newberg, has tendered his resignation, effective January 15, 1955.

During his ministry, 731 persons have presented themselves for baptism into Christ, or to place membership in the local congregation. Offerings of the congregation have amounted to more than $206,000.-00. of which more than one-third—approximately $75,770.00, has been for "others": missions, benevolence, etc.

A Mohler Pipe Organ has been purchased and installed. Harlan Woodruff has been supported as Living Link Missionary, ever since he pioneered what has become a great work on Okinawa. And work is well advanced on what, when finished, will give the Newberg congregation one of the finest educational plants among the Christian Churches of Oregon.

Mr. Cunningham's tentative plans are to enter the field of general evangelism, after January 15, 1955.

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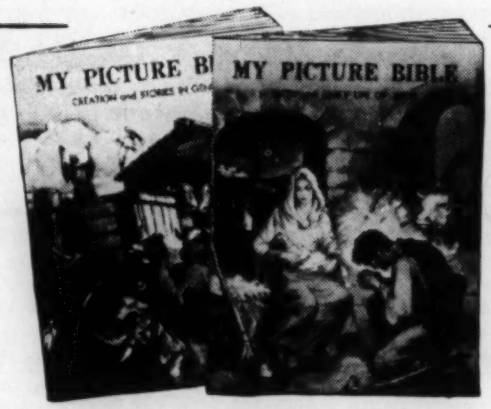


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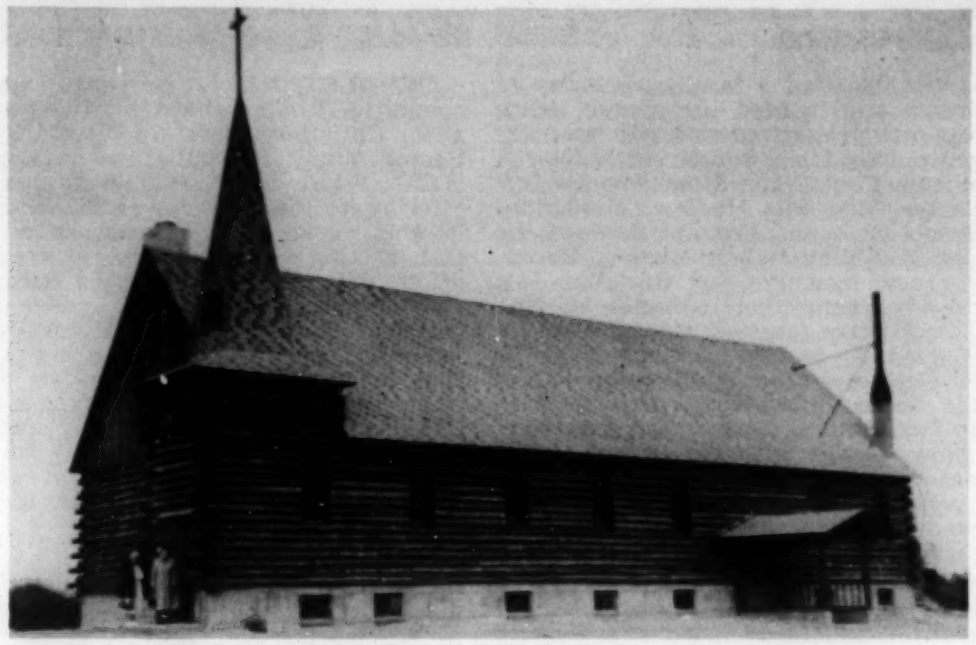

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This building is unique; there is nothing like it in the brotherhood. The sanctuary is built entirely of rich, golden colored logs (Oregon fir) which are visible both inside and out. The walls to the front of the church within the chancel are California redwood; the recessed baptistry has knotty cedar at the back with a ledge in the rear on which flowers will be placed when baptisms are to take place.

In the back of the church the walls are of knotty cedar. The floors of Oregon fir will be covered in the aisles of red rubber runners to match the maroon curtains planned for the baptistry.

The concrete basement is eighty by thirty-four feet. The main purpose of the basement is that of a fellowship hall, Sunday School classes and for audio-visual programs as well as for recreation.

The parlor at the back of the sanctuary is lined with knotty cedar. At the front of the basement is the Youth room. The beautiful fireplace in this room as well as the one in the church parlor, is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nettleship, son and daughter-in-law of the contractor. The tall steeple holds a bell which the church at Anaconda, Montana contributed.

Now the church must be furnished. A few gifts for this have been given. The Junior Camps of Washington have sent a check to cover the furnishings of the Junior Department; the Christian Endeavor Society of the Kern Park church, Portland, has purchased a lovely brass cross for the communion table. Mrs. Fred Opperman of Bremerton has bought the communion set as a memorial to her father Mr. John A. Lane; the Tri-Mu class of the Third Christian Church in Richmond, Virginia, and Miss Eulalie Fishback of Beatrice, Nebraska, have paid for the baptistry, a perfect setting for this sacrament. The Contractor, Mr. William Nettleship and his wife, have given generously to provide for many extra features to beautify the church, among them the lights for the sanctuary. "Bill" made them himself and placed them. They are boxed wood frames made to simulate wrought iron; each facet outlines a long cross. They are beautiful.

The plans call for the communion table to be made of two thick slabs of white pine to set it off from any other wood in the building. An Indian mother is making a communion cloth of beaded white buckskin. Offering plates are to be made of cedar root, designed and made by an Indian woman. The pulpit and lecturn will probably be made from slabs of fir wood—two vertical slabs on either side with the rounded side outwards; pulpit chairs will match.

Additional funds are needed right away to complete this project. Address your letters to Mr. Malcolm Norment, Yakima Christian Indian Mission, White Swan, Washington, or to the United Christian Missionary Society, 222 Downey Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana. Gifts for this project do not count on regular goals; they are over-above.


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**FRANKLIN:** Had a family work day of the church and painted the church building plus other improvements. Minister exchanged pulpits for a Sunday with John J. Stone, from Canby. Mr. Stone was his former pastor. Miss Ella Hadley visited Sunday School here and brought news of the work at McKinley Indian Mission. Reception for new members and Christian Literature Observance held. Special offering for S. O. S. drive taken Thanksgiving Sunday. Gerald F. Sawyer, minister. **ROSEBURG:** October 10 through November 14 in a Bible School attendance contest with Grants Pass church, we reached a peak of attendance of 728, with an average of 673 for that period as compared to 475 for the same period last year. Grants Pass beat us by one per cent for the six Sundays. The church is continuing its forward growth in all areas. Five added by baptism, 11 otherwise. Newell Morgan, minister.

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**PENDLETON:** Long range planning committee looking ahead in a five-year program. Christian Literature Week Observed. Pastor taught in youth leaders school at N.C.C. White Swan Salmon Dinner held; offering for the Mission was $50. Men's Fellowship meets third Monday for a breakfast meeting. Mothers' club organized. Calls on church membership carried out on November 7. Three members added, one by baptism. Donald Payne. **THURSTON:** Just installed complete new heating system. Large nursery heated entirely by electric floor. Wonderful for little tots playing on floor. Started special Sunday school attendance drive in September; have increased attendance 50 per cent already; 166 present yesterday. Charles Richards, minister.

**NORTH BEND:** Work parties continuing on new building; good interest. Attendance increasing; chairs are necessary to seat congregation at worship services. Observed Church Loyalty in October; new class for young adults being organized. Reception planned for new members. All-in-all the work is progressing nicely. Launching a Stay for Church Program, entitled "Will YOU miss your Dinner?" Five added by baptism, four otherwise. Clyde C. Blakley, minister. **CORVALLIS:** About 125 attended the Salmon dinner on November 18. Mrs. Lynnette Rhay of Eugene made excellent presentation of Yakima Indian Christian Mission. Budget for 1955 almost underwritten on Consecration Sunday in November. Stewardship emphasis is catching on throughout the church. School of Missions planned for a week in January, with Dr. R. J. Dye as speaker. Four members added, one by baptism. Donald L. Helseth, minister.

**MADRAS:** Basement unit which more than doubles the present area will be in use before Christmas. The largest Bible School attendance except special days was 163 on November 21. Two added, one by baptism. R. W. Gardner, minister. **MYRTLE CREEK:** Thirteen additions during the last two months, seven by transfer and six by baptism. A number of films have been shown to very appreciative audiences. Entertained the bi-monthly Douglas Christian Convention Saturday, November 20. A good turkey dinner. Sponsored a Veterans Day special service; participated in a Union Thanksgiving Eve service. Youth work making great progress. Attendance over that of a year ago consistently. Recognized all special calendar days of year with appropriate services. Took a special Thanksgiving offering for N.C.C. Taking care of the needy people again this year. The church is sponsoring the Cub Scouts and Brownies. Dorsey E. Dent, minister. **IRVING:** Robert Adams is our new Youth minister. Two added by baptism, three otherwise. Gary Wells, minister.

**CARLTON:** Still working on roof. Considering plans for remodeling interior of church. Looking forward to the new year with optimism. Three added by baptism. Gene Polf, minister. **TILLAMOOK:** Building fund offering taken November 7 yielded $2187.64 in cash surpassing the $2000 goal. Work on new building entrances will proceed. Sunday School attendance continues to tax facilities. Three evening services at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 keeping up attendances about the 100 mark for each service. One member added. **NYSSA:** Four new members added by baptism. **KLAMATH FALLS:** Thirty-five members added by baptism and 38 otherwise plus one life recruit during Comprehensive Evangelism Campaign October 31 - November 21 under leadership of W. W. White, Eugene. Record Bible School attendance second Sunday of campaign with 403 present. Leo Horner began ministry with the church October 31. **CULVER:** New educational unit being started. Is 2600 square feet with five class roooms, dining room is 33 x 35 plus kitchen. Ase Rice, minister.

**SPRINGFIELD:** Our social hall has been the scene of three parties by N.C.C. dormitory groups. Our Thanksgiving offering was $114.34. Morning service on Woman's Day will be completely in charge of our Women's Fellowship. Jack Hart, with N.C.C. works with our Chi Rho group and Chester Caton, N.C.C. with our CYF. Eleven youth and one adult attended the training school at Eugene for Adult Leaders of Youth. Mrs. Ernest Worden, pas-

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tor's wife, flew to Iowa to be with their daughter, Mrs. Herman Fehrle, during surgery. Our church will host the Western Oregon World Fellowship Youth meet on December 3 and 4. Two added by baptism, eleven otherwise. Ernest Worden, minister. **WALLOWA:** Both Bible School and church maintaining a high average of attendance. Evangelistic meeting to commence January 16 under the direction of B. Ross Evans and wife. Expecting that all obligations on new addition to building to be cleared this winter. O. W. Jones, minister. **MONMOUTH:** Howard Hutchins was family night visiting speaker for November. Church is planning a "Stewardship Month" for early in 1955. New front doors ordered for building and tile to be laid in vestibules. L. Elwell, minister.

**COQUILLE:** Progress going forward nicely on new building with plans to occupy new church by end of year. Five ladies of CWF attended workshop in Springfield recently. First all-church Planning Conference held with a full set of functional committees organized and working. Bible School attendance averaged 218 during the month with teachers planning for Teachers Observation School led by Walter Lantz and state children's workers next month. October was our finest month stewardship-wise in over two years. Five members added, two by baptism. Walter Naff, minister. **DETROIT:** An evening youth program begun three weeks ago led by Mrs. Lova E. Bates, high school teacher. She makes her home in Salem and is a member of First Christian there. Her help to us has been a blessing. A visiting program of the entire community began November 14; will last three weeks. Don Summers, minister. **NEWPORT:** Have set December 12 as date of Dedication of new parsonage and thirtieth anniversary of church. C. F. Swander to be speaker. N.C.C. quartette with Gene Swanson as speaker one Sunday; also Jean Cunningham and Gloria Jewell and Oscar Cooper at other Services. Two added by baptism, two otherwise. Ray Smith, minister.

**BAKER:** Entertained the Columbia Union Christian Endeavor convention on November 12 and 13 with more than 100 in attendance. The young people accepted a budget of $200 then oversubscribed it to $300 in cash and personal pledges besides the society pledge. Hermiston youth took home the travelling plaque for having the largest delegation present. Seventh annual birthday party will be December 3 with a missionary offering. Eight added by baptism, five otherwise. Joe Jewett, minister. **OAKRIDGE:** Thanksgiving Fellowship Dinner; 165 members and friends present. Business meeting followed with election of officers, adoption of 1955 budget of $9300, revision in constitution and by laws to include Board of Deaconesses in church organization. Approximately $1000 missionary budget included in $9300. Engaged in a long-time visitation and cultivation evangelistic program. Pastor and family surprised with extensive food shower at Thanksgiving dinner on November 21. New Junior Youth fellowship being organized making three fine youth groups, serving seventy to eighty young people. Two added by baptism, two otherwise. E. C. Hawkins, minister. **EUGENE - GLENWOOD:** Lane County Convention will be held here the second Sunday in December. Two added by baptism, four otherwise. Robert Smythe, minister.

**SALEM-FIRST:** Both interest and attendance are on the increase at Salem First. The Sunday School is now engaged in a two-months attendance contest with a Mystery Church "X" whose identity is kept a secret by the members of the Christian Education Committee. Contact is made each Sunday afternoon and the record of that day posted on a large chart in the narthex of the church. A new acoustical tile ceiling is just being completed in the large fellowship room of the church. New 16-mm sound movie projector and new 15-inch electric floor polisher added to equipment. Twelve new members - two by baptism. Wayne Greene, minister. **MEDFORD-CENTRAL:** Rally day and homecoming a real success. Aim for Bible School attendance reached - 113 (goal was 111). Basket dinner and afternoon service well-attended. Ashland minister, Wendel Herbisan and his choir were our afternoon guests. One added by baptism, three otherwise. E. J. Gilstrap, minister. **MILL CITY:** Minister Jull and Mrs. Jull have been hospitalized since November 8 following an automobile accident. During his absence the pulpit has been supplied by Lowell Measley of N.C.C., A. O. Bates of Salem and James Stock of Sweet Home. Bible School attendance is well above last year. Woman's Council held a successful bazaar and lunch on election day. The C.W.F. have gathered several boxes of good used clothing for mission fields and foreign relief.

**EUGENE-ALLISON PARK:** Election of officers held. Adopting functional organization pattern. Church attendance better than in past. Financial condition of church steadily improving. Mid-week studies from the divisions of the Bible being led by minister, with good attendance. Thanksgiving services held night before Thanksgiving with baskets taken to unfortunates in church area. Looking forward to planning session and planned years program aimed specifically to evangelism and stewardship. Four new members. George V. Bever, minister. **GATES:** Have begun evening services with Paul Simonds from N.C.C. bringing a series on the Book of Revelation. The Sunday School is sponsoring a contest which has resulted in steady rise in attendance. The building fund has grown to over $125. We are in great need for additional class room space as we are overcrowded. A plan for an addition to the present building shows a cost of approximately $2500. The ladies have just completed the gathering of gifts for the Home at Beaverton. We are making plans for a "Christ-centered Christmas" in the community this year. David Arnold, minister. **PORTLAND — PARKROSE:** Church being wired and progress on the basement unit going ahead. The driveways and parking lot were gravelled for winter use. High School choraliers sang for our Thanksgiving program. A meeting held for Ervin Leake and the church at Vernonia in November. Bible School highest in church history with average in October of 128 and a high of 154. Seven members added. Dallas Meserve, minister.

**ROSEBURG-WESTSIDE:** Special meetings in progress under leadership of Harry Atkins will close November 28. Seven added by transfer and one by baptism. Stewardship emphasis for three month period has enlisted 32 tithers and three renewals. Offering for Christian Education at Thanksgiving was $107.67 and will be sent to N.C.C. Harry Chapin, minister. **BEAVERTON:** We were host to a Union Thanksgiving which was a splendid success. Class for new members has been organized and is taught by the pastor. A teachers-training class to last for eight weeks will begin in January. Attendance in all services show an increase over a year ago. We thank God for His many blessings. Mr. Eldridge and the N.C.C. quartette recently with us and were well received. Six added by baptism, 13 otherwise. Thomas Courtney, minister. **BEND:** New class of senior young people started in Sunday School. High School class averaging above 25 each Sunday. District Women's workshop for Central Oregon District, November 15; attended by 60 women. Evening services have doubled in last month. Plan for School of Missions after first of year. Four added, one by baptism. H. Cecil Bever, minister. **JUNCTION CITY:** Hillis E. Davidson began his duties as minister on November 7. The Men's Fellowships are studying plans for redecoration of

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the front section of the sanctuary and to build a new Communion table. One member added by transfer. **YAMHILL:** Class for young married people taught by the minister is preparing an outstanding life-size Nativity scene for the Church lawn. Choir of First Baptist church, Carlton, presented evening concert recently to a full house. Two new members added by statement.

**ALBANY:** A great deal of interest is being shown in a newly-organized men's Fellowship. Two adult counsellors attended the school for Adult Leaders of Youth in Eugene in November. Our month of Stewardship commitment was held through November. Lester Jones, minister. **SALEM-COURT STREET:** In process of remodeling old Sunday School Assembly room. Host church to Youth Rally on November 13 attended by 230. Young people's Fall Conference at Harmony Lodge over Thanksgiving Weekend attended by 32. We have added eight members, two by baptism. G. Philip Hurd, associate minister. **SILVERTON:** Bible school is rallying behind Frank Powell, superintendent in a very fine way. Attendance is well over last year. A Young Adult class has been organized under leadership of Lynn Neal the new teacher, and called Future Leaders. Christian Men's Fellowship has been organized. They are sponsoring a boy's basketball team for the church. New officers are: Olaf Paulson, president; William Bunting, vice-president; Walt Ferguson, secretary, and Glen Benson, treasurer. The Youth of the church are very active, sing for the morning worship once a month, do everything for the evening service but the preaching. Junior Girls choir sings for shut-ins once a month. I. M. Nelson, minister. **SUTHERLIN:** Two new members added. Gerald G. Bentley, minister.

**PORTLAND - SOUTHEAST**: Total results of the Evans Evangelistic meeting was six baptisms, 10 transfers and six reconsecrations. In the four Sundays since the meeting Bible School attendance has averaged 209. Two added by baptism, two otherwise since last news. Gene Chamberlain, minister. **COBURN:** Just finished a "School of Christian Stewardship." Was well attended. On Monday, November 29, we had 36 men and sons at a Father-Son banquet. Very profitable program was enjoyed by all. Average attendance for November was 169. Were host to the Youth Sing on November 7 with 225 in attendance. Our pastor was installed as president of the Lane County Convention on November 14. **PORTLAND - SELLWOOD:** We are having a Sunday School contest with Lake Grove Church of Christ. Sunday School and Church attendance has been climbing steadily for the past nine months. Sixteen members added since July 1. Robert Clevenger, minister. **ELGIN:** Brother Joe Jewett, minister at Baker is helping us in a week of personal evangelism. We have added three members. Lester Wells, Jr., minister. **PORTLAND - MALLORY AVE.:** Completing five weeks of "Stewardship for Tithing" emphasis with enlistment of tithers on Consecration Sunday, November 28. There has been a fine response throughout the entire church and church school. Woman's Day was observed the evening of November 28 with Dr. Don McGavran, missionary to India, speaking. Mallory was host on November 29 to an Area Missionary Rally with William D. Hall of Indianapolis, speaking. The Church School is being pushed to find additional space for our overflow in attendance. Have added 34 members since August 1; seven by baptism. Marion W. Nilsson, minister.

**VAUGHN:** Held homecoming November 7 and had approximately fifty guests. Young people were invited to a skating party by Alvadore Youth Groups on November 22. Sunday, November 28, young people went to Alvadore in the evening to attend Singspiration. Outside finish work on new addition completed this month. Will have one classroom ready for use immediately. We are rehearsing now for our annual Christmas program. Looking forward to our Evangelistic meeting with B. Ross Evans early in January. Herman Johnson, minister.

**PRINEVILLE:** November 21 was fourth anniversary of the church. Mrs. Hattie Menzies, retired missionary to India was our guest speaker for the day. There were 114 in the Sunday School and many friends from neighboring churches came for the afternoon services. Alva Ferebee, minister. **ST. HELENS:** Walter Lantz, state Christian Education Director, was with us on October 31 for Conference with teachers and officers and as guest speaker at the Teacher's Recognition Services in the evening. Thanksgiving offering was designated for his work. C.W.F. had Mr. and Mrs. Don Barrett as guest speakers November 12. They gave a very interesting account of their recent visit to "All People's Church" in Los Angeles. Mrs. Barrett is a niece of the pastor and wife. Don is an employee of "Friendly House" in Portland. A pageant, "God's Share," written and directed by Mrs. Putnam was presented November 14. Stewardship Dedication Service on November 24. Forty-two tithers to date. One member added by baptism. R. L. Putnam, minister. **WILLAMINA:** Jubilee Bell Ringers played to a packed house here on November 27. Evangelistic meeting with B. Ross Evans began November 28. Bible School attendance has grown during November Loyalty month. Woman's Day to be observed on December 5. Elmo Black, minister. **CORBETT:** By working one night each week, we are gradually getting our basement addition to the place where it will keep the heat in and weather out. There seems to be a renewed interest in the church among some and the attendance is running consistently above last year. D. W. Kelley, minister.

**PORTLAND - ST. JOHNS:** Just completed a successful evangelistic meeting with the Gospel Four Quartette. Jess Johnson, minister, is holding a two-weeks meeting at Walla Walla with The Gospel Four. Plans are under way for an outdoor Christmas pantomime each evening of the week before Christmas at Columbia Park. Both black and white light will be used to create the desired effects. Both live actors and live animals will be used. A Workers Institute is planned for the week of March 2; 25 with Mr. Lawrence Bixler, William Richardson, Mrs. Ernie Chamberlain and Miss Arlene Skaugset are scheduled to take part. The Bible School is in an attendance contest with Hillsboro. At present the Trip-To-The-Moon has kept St. Johns in the lead. Each Sunday Captain Moon-Flyer reports on his progress toward the moon (529 attendance.) Twenty-four members added, 10 by baptism. **SALEM - GARDEN ROAD:** Congregation now completely organized and incorporated. Women also organized for service and missions. Celebrating our first anniversary of the building dedication on December 5. L. H. Camp, minister. **SALEM-LIBERTY:** Held three very successful family night programs prior to Thanksgiving with dinners and family movies. Attendance and interest excellent; youth work progressing well with better than 40 average for C.E. in Junior High and Senior groups. Church to sponsor two basketball teams this year—college and high school. Three members added. Wayne Bryant, minister.

**HARRISBURG:** Homecoming on November 14 was a great day of Christian fellowship with our many Christian friends. Brother Elmo Block bringing the message, Brother Elmo was formerly our Assistant Minister and now at Willamina. The choir group is showing great promise under leadership of Brother Leroy Hershizer our assistant minister. Many wonderful things are being planned by our church for the Christmas pageant. V. H. Woods, reporter. **EUGENE - FIRST:** Chi Rho youth presented Hebrew "Succoth" in authentic costume at the evening service, November 21. This is an annual custom which our church looks forward to with interest, since it is the presentation of the Hebrew Thanksgiving Service as described in the Old Testament scriptures. The Chi Rho also have an annual Thanksgiving dinner for parents and families preceeding the "Succoth" service. Dr. and Mrs. Carrol C. Roberts held open house at the parsonage on November 7 and 14, thus giving the new members an opportunity to become better acquainted with their pastor and his wife. Another annual custom is the "Christian Book Sale" at which time you may browse or buy books. There were books for children, youth, adults and families. On November 10, Mr. and Mrs. Tso Wang were honored guests at dinner. They are returning to Singapore where Mr. Wang will be a University professor and Mrs. Wang a librarian. Our congregation has enjoyed the Wangs and their fellowship the past two years. Nine members added. Carroll C. Roberts, minister. **CANBY:** Annual Harvest Festival offering of foodstuffs was held Sunday, November 21 with the largest offering since the beginning of the event. Offering was divided between Northwestern Christian Home and Turner Memorial Home. Attendance and activities both picking up. Three members added, one by baptism. John Stone, minister.

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